

Amendments to the Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An oral dosage form for treatment of the symptoms of pain comprising a glucosamine material and a therapeutic amount of an analgesic compound, wherein

the weight ratio of glucosamine material to analgesic compound is such that the analgesic efficacy of the oral dosage form in alleviating the symptoms of pain when administered orally is greater than the analgesic efficacy of the analgesic compound alone at the dosage level for the analgesic compound,

the glucosamine material is selected from the group consisting of α - or β -glucosamine or mixtures thereof, N-acetyl glucosamine, glucosamine sulfate, ~~or~~ and glucosamine hydrochloride,

the analgesic compound is ibuprofen or ketoprofen,

and the weight ratio of glucosamine material to said analgesic compound is about 2:1 or more, said ratio being calculated based on glucosamine sulfate as the glucosamine material.

2. (Previously Presented) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of glucosamine material to the analgesic compound is in the range of about 2:1 to 20:1.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled).

5. (Currently amended) The dosage form of claim [4]2 wherein the analgesic compound is ibuprofen.

6. (Currently amended) The dosage form of claim [4]2 wherein the analgesic compound is ketoprofen.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled).

12. (Original) The dosage form of claims 1 or 2 further comprising a therapeutic amount of an antiarthritic, antihistamine, muscle relaxant, sleep aid, decongestant, a bronchodilator, or a mixture thereof.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously presented) A method to alleviate the symptoms of pain in a human patient, which comprises orally administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of an oral dosage form of claims 1 or 2.

15. (Canceled).

16. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~^A method to alleviate the symptoms of pain according to claim 14, comprising administering orally to a patient an oral dosage form, said oral dosage form ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of a therapeutic amount of an analgesic compound in admixture with a glucosamine material, wherein

the analgesic compound is ibuprofen or ketoprofen,

the glucosamine material ~~comprises~~ is selected from the group consisting of α - or β -glucosamine, N-acetylglucosamine, glucosamine sulfate or glucosamine HCl ~~hydrochloride~~,

the weight ratio of glucosamine material to analgesic compound is in the range of 2:1 up to 10:1, said ratio being calculated based on glucosamine sulfate as the glucosamine material, and,

at said ratio and dosage level, the analgesic efficacy of said dosage form is enhanced over the analgesic efficacy of the analgesic compound alone.